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May 19, 1915.

Dean Robert R. Wright,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

The Faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences of the University of Nebraska has appointed a Committee to inquire into the granting of scholarship honors in various universities, and to report on the advisability of introducing such methods in the University of Nebraska. As Chairman of this Committee, I venture to ask you to give us the benefit of your experience by replying to the following questions:

First. Do you regard the granting of honors or other distinctions as tending to improve scholarship?

Second. (a) Is there any system of "honors" or "honors courses" in your university?

(b) If so, do you grant "honors" for high general standing or for specialized work, or both?

Third. What are the chief advantages and disadvantages of your system of "honors"?

If you can send me any printed information on this subject, it will be most welcome, and I assure you that I shall be very grateful for any help that you can give.

If you care to know the results of this investigation, I will gladly send you a summary of the replies as soon as it can be prepared.

Yours respectfully,

J. E. LeRossignol.

April 15th, 1915

Mr. R. N. Neustadt,

287 Fourth Avenue,

New York.

Dear Mr. Neustadt:

I have received your letter inquiring about the filling of the vacancy in connection with the University Settlement. I am interested in what you have outlined for me with regard to your career, but we have already made arrangements for the carrying on of the work for next year. We hope that through the arrangements although they are temporary, we may find as they work out we shall arrive at something like a permanent basis. Therefore I do not see in the meantime that there is any likelihood of our Board considering any other applications. I will, however, keep your letter by me in case there should be an opening in the future.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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Toronto, Canada,
July 5th, 1915

The Business Manager,
"New York Times",
New York.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing an express order for five dollars, and shall be obliged if you will send "The New York Times" to President R. A. Falconer, Gordon Bay, Muskoka, Canada ?

I am not sure what the amount of a yearly subscription is, but am sending this amount so that the subscription and paper may begin at once.

Yours sincerely,

President's Secretary.

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December 16th, 1914

L. H. Nicholls, Esq.,

Y. M. C. A., McGill University,

Montreal.

My dear Mr. Nicholls:

I am glad that Dr. Mott is to address the students at McGill. He comes to Toronto very frequently and we always look forward with great pleasure to his visit. Our Convocation Hall is filled, and he makes a deep impression upon the students. I feel sure he will do the same for you at McGill.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

May 6th, 1915

W. F. Nickle, Esq., M.P.,

Kingston.

Dear Mr. Nickle:

Professor Bland's sermon was delivered to Victoria College not to the University of Toronto. It was the Baccalaureate address given in our Convocation Hall. I happened to be in Kingston that day and did not meet Dr. Bland. I am sending your letter to Chancellor Bowles of Victoria, perhaps he may be able to secure a copy of the manuscript for you.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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NEW YORK October 19th 1914

PRINCIPAL FALCONER,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Ontario.

My dear Principal Falconer:

I beg to thank you for your letter of 14th instant, which I find this morning on my return from a business trip in the West. I am returning the Dominion Express Order which you sent me for four dollars, as I find that you had already paid this amount, and you have no doubt overlooked the fact that you had done do. The date of the receipt of the sum upon our books is September 16th, and my receipt for the amount was duly sent you.

I have endorsed the order, but if you cannot recover payment on production of the same please return it to me, and I will send you my cheque.

I have been a little out of touch with the recent proceedings of the Association, as I went abroad in the end of July, only returning in the end of September, and as you will gather I havebeen out of town since. I believe, however, an attempt was made when I was away to get up a Hospital Unit, but that this attempt was not entirely successful,- indeed the authorities at Ottawa to whom it was suggested the offer should be made said that they could not use it. They have, however, asked us to send money for bandages, etc., all of which is

October 21st, 1914

J. B. Niven, Esq.,

30 Broad Street,

New York.

Dear Mr. Niven:

I think that the idea of having no annual dinner this year is a good one. I believe that in Canada many of these annual functions will not be held this year not only are our people not in the mind for them but the money can be better spent otherwise.

Yours sincerely,

President.

May 8th, 1915

J. B. Niven, Esq.,

Messrs. Touche Niven and Company,

30 Broad Street, New York.

Dear Mr. Niven:

I am quite willing to sign the letter which Mr. Kendal and yourself have drafted to be sent to members of the Club.

This has been an awful winter and the horror of it seems to be growing every day. It has come very close to us in Canada. We are losing a lot of our people, though they have done splendidly. From the University there are over 850 graduates and undergraduates eithe at the front or on the way, and more will be going soon. The sinking of the "Lusitania" only shows once again what an abandoned enemy we have to deal with, but the madmen must be controlled by the world somehow.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

April 7th, 1915

To the President

of the University of North Carolina.

Dear Sir:

Professor Lash Miller has informed me that he is to be present at your Inauguration into the Presidency of the University of North Carolina to represent the American Chemical Society. I take the opportunity through Professor Lash Miller to convey to you on behalf of the University of Toronto our congratulations on your election to the Presidency and our hope that the University will enjoy a period of great prosperity during your tenure of office.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

May [illegible], 1912

Miss M. O'[illegible],

Secretary, The Toronto College of Music,

[illegible] Street,

[illegible],

Dear Madam:

I am directed by the Directors to say that they have authorized the use of one of our rooms for the Survey requirements of the Toronto College of Music. The Registrar has been instructed to arrange the details with the Superintendent.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

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TORONTO, CANADA March 5th, 1915.

Dr. R. A. Falconer,

President, University of Toronto,

City.

Dear Sir:-

If I am not trespassing too much upon your time, I would be pleased if you could give me an appointment to discuss certain matters which, I think, are of mutual interest, If it is possible for me to have the interview prior to 5 p.m. on Monday, I would prefer it as I have to attend a meeting on that evening and would prefer to discuss certain points with you, if possible, before.

Yours truly,

E. W. Oswald

April 27th, 1917

Captain L. C. Cunningham,

10th Royal Grenadiers,

The Armories, Toronto.

Dear Sir, Cunningham:

I have consulted the Executive with regard to your request and I have placed your supplemental examination for your final M.L.

There is another of our students who is going in a very similar position and I will be dealt with by the Council's decision as soon as possible. I feel sure that the Council will meet favourably with your wishes if it can be in any way facilitated.

Yours,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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SATURDAY NIGHT

"THE PAPER WORTH WHILE"

Toronto, Dec. 9th., 1914.

Robert A. Falconer, L. L. D.,D.Litt,
University of Toronto,
Toronto.

Dear Dr. Falconer:-

We wish to publish a portrait of you in next week's issue in connection with an article on Toronto University and the portrait we have is not very good copy. If you could loan us a picture suitable for reproduction or give us the name of a photographer who could supply us with a picture of yourself in the unmounted, glazed style, which is best suited for our purpose, we should be extremely obliged.

May I request that you let us have a reply by return mail, as it is necessary to place copy in the hands of the engravers at the earliest possible moment?

Yours very truly,

MANAGING EDITOR.

December 10th, 1914

C. H. Paul, Esq.,

Managing Editor,

"Saturday Night", Toronto.

Dear Mr. Paul:

I am sending you a portrait that was taken a good while ago, but I think it is the best that I have. If you will let me have it back when you are done with it I shall be much obliged.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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A. M. PETERSON
BARRISTER, SOLICITOR, ETC.
LIGHTBOURN BLOCK
COBOURG, ONT.
CANADA

Oct.27,1914.

Prseident Falconer,

University of Toronto,

Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir,-

I am directed by the Cobourg Patriotic Association to ascertain if you will give a lecture on the war in the Opera House here some evening in the near future. Any evening this or next week or the week following agreeable to you would suit us.

The purposes of our organization are perhaps sufficiently indicated in the name. It is felt here that you could render most valuable service and it is sincerely hoped that you will be able to accede to the unanimous desires of the Association and citizens.

Upon receipt of advice as to date you may be able to give necessary arrangements will be made.

Anticipating a favorable reply in due course

Yours truly,

A M Peterson
Secy. Cobourg P. A.

October [illegible], 1914

A. M. Peterson, [illegible],

[illegible].

Dear Sir:

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

September 18th, 1914

Mrs. H. D. Petrie,

322 Queen Street,

Hamilton.

Dear Mrs. Petrie:

I have your note of September 16th asking me to address "The Current Events Club" of Hamilton. I should like to oblige you, but I am afraid that it is quite out of the question for me to go to Hamilton during the first week of October, so shortly after the opening of the session. I have already promised the Women's Canadian Club of Hamilton to speak to them, and my arrangements for some time ahead are so numerous that I am afraid in the meantime I cannot go for your Club, though I might do so some time in the future.

Yours sincerely,

President.

The Current Events Club
of Hamilton

Sept-16/
1914

Mr Falconer
Toronto.

Dear Mr Falconer.

After reading an article in the "Globe" regarding your return from abroad & your experiences in the "war zone" I am venturing to write you to ask if it would be possible for you to honor the opening meeting of a newly

the time to spare for the afternoons.

We hope to meet twice a month & will open the first week in October, the evening to suit your convenience.

If you cannot so Dear Mrs Gwen kindly let us know in regards of a later date.

organized club called "The Current Events Club" with an address or talk on "The War Zone".
This Club will be carried on ~~the~~ about the same lines as the Canadian Club with the exception that the members are composed of both men & women & the meetings are to be held in the evenings. This enabling those ~~who~~ who have not

Awaiting for an early & favorable reply.

Very sincerely

Laura E. Petrie

Treas

Mrs. A. M. Petrie

822 Queen St.

December 6th, 1914

L. W. Phillips, Esq.,

50 Conduit Street,

Toronto.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter calling my attention to the publication of Mr. Evans of Queen's University. I have taken up the matter with the Oriental Languages Department. [illegible], however, that we may be able to effect arrangements with [illegible] if necessary.

Yours sincerely,

President.

April 24th, 1915

C. A. Foster, Esq.,

Editor, "Mine, Quarry and Derrick",

Calgary, Alta.

Dear Mr. Foster:

I am glad that Principal Sutton was able to make a visit to the East where I am sure he would meet with a warm welcome from each graduates. He would give you a great deal of information about the recent growth of the University.

I have received the copies of the magazine "Mine, Quarry and Derrick" and should be glad to send you some short article on the subject that you refer to, though I am afraid that before June I shall not have time to undertake any extra work. This is an extremely busy period for me as we are closing earlier than usual, and I have a number of extra duties to perform that will take all my spare moments. However, I may be able to give you something for your magazine later in the season.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

[illegible] 3rd, 1914

A. A. Powell, Esq.,

Santa Maria, California.

Dear Sir:

I have just received your letter in which you draw my attention to investigations that you have made into archaeological questions of Nevada and Arizona and believe that you have been able to discover and interpret certain inscriptions of a Phoenician character. The whole subject is one with which I have absolutely no acquaintance, and I am not in a position to pass an opinion upon the value of your discovery nor do I know to whom I could refer the matter in Toronto. I should judge that your best way would be to correspond either with the Smithsonian Institute at Washington, the Archaeological Branch, or with Dr. Carroll, Secretary of the Archaeological Association at Washington, who might be able to advise you as to a competent authority.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

October 21st, 1914

J. J. Power, Esq., K.C., LL.B.,

Halifax, N.S.

Dear Mr. Power:

On considering the matter of your letter which we spoke of two years ago when you were in Toronto we have felt that it would be very delicate to ask London University to break its regular practice and give our students special privileges. As far as we are aware they have never recognised any degrees of lower grade as qualifying for their higher grade, and we are reluctant to urge them to change their policy as they doubtless have maintained this after full consideration and after long experience.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

May 26th, 1915

J. J. Power, Esq., D.C.L.,

Box 532,

Halifax.

Dear Mr. Power:

This year we have had our Convocation three weeks earlier than usual on account of military matters. It was held last Friday, on May 21st. There may be a small Convocation on June 11th, but it will have no public importance whatever.

Yours sincerely,

President.

November 13th, 1914

T. H. Preston, Esq.,

Brantford.

Dear Mr. Preston:

I am sorry that I cannot accept the invitation of the Business Men's Club to give an opening address as I am leaving in two days for the West and am to be absent for perhaps three weeks. After that I have so many engagements that are deferred on account of this trip that I do not see at present any chance of doing it then. However, I am sending your letter to Dr. Abbott of the University Extension Committee, who has a list of men who lecture of war subjects and he may suggest some names to you. With kind regards,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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October 30th, 1914

G. E. M. Price, Esq.,

Department of City Architect, Toronto.

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter asking me as to the standing to be given to your son. This is a matter that will be dealt with by the Faculty of Medicine, and I am forwarding the letter to the Faculty to deal with it, but I know that in accordance with the recommendation of the Senate the utmost possible favour will be shown to those who have gone to the front on active service.

Yours sincerely,

President.

With regard to research of individual manufacturers,- This work would be carried out on a line somewhat similar to that of the Mellon Institute, where the individual manufacturers having individual problems arrange to provide a scholarship for one, three or five years, for the investigation of the problems and provide the funds for the payment of salaries and all necessary extra apparatus. The results of the investigation to become the personal property of the manufacturer establishing the scholarship.

With regard to pure scientific research,- while this is not so closely associated with industry, it is calculated to have a very important commercial or practical applications, and the commission should be empowered to establish a fund like that of the Royal Society of London, or the Rumford Fund of the American Academy of Art and Sciences, etc. under which any Professor in any of the Universities might submit the problem to be investigated to the Commission and receive a grant therefore to purchase equipment and apparatus; the results to be published for the benefit of the country at large.

In view of the pressing need of prompt action in connection with this highly important question, the Sub-Committee respectfully urges the Government to take steps without delay to organize a Commission on the lines indicated, as it would meet with the unanimous support of the Universities, Canadian Manufacturers' Association and Society of Chemical Industry, and, it is believed of the entire country.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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June 10th, 1915. .....

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